New Release of the Problem Driver Pointer System Master Specifications Manual

Release 2.0.7 of the Problem Driver Pointer System (PDPS) Master Specifications has been published. You may access this new release on the [AAMVA Website](https://www.aamva.org) under the Documentation tab. The new release fixes the omission of one data element and one code value from the data dictionary, which were pointed out by members of our valuable PDPS community. Besides mending the oversight, AAMVA took the opportunity to improve the look of the Data Dictionary (Appendix D), which we hope you will find more complete and appealing. In the same vein, former Appendix E – Person Name Formatting content – is now included in Appendix D as part of the Referenced Material section. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please contact the AAMVA Operations Department at 1-888-AAMVA80 option 1 or helpdesk@aamva.org.

Utah to Begin Using AAMVA's State-to-State (S2S) Verification Service

Utah will begin using AAMVA's [State-to-State Verification Service](https://www.aamva.org) (S2S) on Monday, January 28, 2019. Tasks related to on-boarding Utah will be conducted during the weekend of January 26, 2019. During this process (Saturday evening to Monday morning), there will be periods during which the CDLIS/S2S Central Site (Central Site) will be in inquiry-only mode or unavailable (over and above the regularly scheduled maintenance window of 2:00 AM ET to 5:00 AM ET on Sunday, January 27, 2019). AAMVA is taking all steps possible to minimize service interruptions and will be sending alerts notifying states of Central Site availability throughout the process. [Read more here](https://www.aamva.org).
Through the work of AAMVA’s Ignition Interlock Program Best Practices Working Group, this best practice guide and video provide guidance for AAMVA member agencies that are legislatively charged with administering ignition interlock programs and to standardize program administration, terminology, and model enabling legislation.

**REGION 1 NEWS**

**High Behind the Wheel: Rising Drug-Related Crashes Heighten Search for Accurate Roadside Drug Tests (Massachusetts)**

The number of people dying in drug-related crashes is skyrocketing according to recent data from the Governor’s Highway Safety Administration. Police worry -- if they can’t get some help -- it’s only going to get worse. There is no breathalyzer for drugs like there is for alcohol and it is a huge challenge for law enforcement when it comes to identifying people driving under the influence of drugs. But Massachusetts is now testing two roadside drug tests that could help them get high drivers off the road. Critics say there’s too much room for error. Read the article at necn.com.

**Baker Proposes Hands-Free Cell Phone Driving Bill (Massachusetts)**

Gov. Charlie Baker has some advice for Massachusetts drivers: Buckle up and put your phone down. The governor on Tuesday proposed his most sweeping set of road safety rules yet, calling for Massachusetts to join 16 other states in requiring hands-free cell phone use while driving and proposing to allow police to stop motorists for not wearing a seat belt. The legislation filed by the Republican marks the first time Baker has put forward his own hands-free driving bill since he first came out in support of the idea in late 2017. Read the article at wgbh.org.

**Hundreds of Truckers Ticketed for Violating Weather-Related Commercial Vehicle Ban (Pennsylvania)**

Pennsylvania police say that they issued hundreds of citations to truck drivers who violated the commercial vehicle travel ban this weekend — in spite of the fact that the winter storm was less severe than expected. On Friday, January 18, Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf issued a travel ban for commercial vehicle traffic starting at noon on Saturday, January 19, as more than a foot of snow was forecasted to fall on some parts of the state. The ban forbid any commercial motor vehicle (CMV) to travel on most interstates and the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Read the article at cdllife.com.

**PennDOT Maintaining Efforts to Battle Human Trafficking (Pennsylvania)**

'Human trafficking is happening across the world and, unfortunately, right here in Pennsylvania,' noted PennDOT Secretary Leslie Richards said in a statement on Jan. 7. 'We and other agencies are addressing this issue and we're also raising public awareness about this horrible practice.' She noted that PennDOT was one of the first state government agencies in the U.S. to educate its employees on human trafficking awareness, with all staff at driver's license centers and Welcome Centers receiving training. Read the article at aashtojournal.org.

**D.C. Gets a Dedicated Vision Zero Office and Director Following Spike in Traffic Deaths (Washington, D.C.)**

As part of D.C.’s effort to eliminate traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2024, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is setting up a new Vision Zero office that will focus on safety strategies, including through engineering, regulation, and
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commemorate engagement. Starting in March, the office’s inaugural director will be Linda Bailey, who was most recently the executive director of the National Association of City Transportation Officials, a group of more than 60 North American cities, Mayor Muriel Bowser announced last week. Read the article at dc.curbed.com.

REGION 2 NEWS

Vehicle Decals Sought for Organ Donors (Florida)
Florida organ donors could get free decals for their cars, minivans or trucks under a bill filed Wednesday for consideration during the 2019 legislative session. Rep. Clovis Watson, D-Alachua, wants the state to provide vehicle owners with red-heart decals that can be affixed to the upper left-hand corner of license plates and flag the owners as organ, tissue or eye donors. The bill (HB 299) would require the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to begin providing the decals upon request as of July 1. Read the article at fox35orlando.com.

Florida Bill Would Turn off Red-Light Cameras
A seemingly annual effort to turn off red-light traffic cameras is again on the move in the Florida House. The House Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee voted 12-1 on Wednesday to support a measure (HB 6003) that calls for a repeal of the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Program law, effective July 1, 2022. The Mark Wandall law, named after a man killed by a red-light runner, passed in 2010 and allowed red-light cameras across the state. Read the article at sun-sentinel.com.

GA Dept. of Driver Services (DDS) Supports National Slavery and Human Trafficking Month (Georgia)
January is designated as National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month to bring attention to the epidemic of human trafficking in this country. GA Department of Driver Services (DDS) has joined the fight against this growing crime by posting informational messages in licensing centers statewide...DDS Commissioner Spencer R. Moore commented, 'DDS is pleased to join existing groups like the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Association (FMCSA) and Georgia’s Statewide Human Trafficking Task Force to help educate the public about this rapidly-growing crime.' Read the article at dds.georgia.gov.

MDOT Continues the Fight Against Human Trafficking (Mississippi)
The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) has joined various agencies across the state and country to recognize January as Human Trafficking Awareness Month. Human trafficking continues to be among the fastest-growing crimes nationwide. Many government agencies are stepping forward to enhance awareness of issues and implementing methods to combat this increasing problem...Since 2015, in coordination with Gov. Phil Bryant’s Human Trafficking Task Force, all MDOT Enforcement Officers have been trained on how to identify and police human trafficking on state highways and at weigh stations. Read the article at sp.mdot.ms.gov.

Kevin Shwedo to Continue Leading S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles (South Carolina)
Governor Henry McMaster announced that Kevin Shwedo will continue serving as executive director of the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles (SCDMV). Executive Director Shwedo was first appointed to his current position by former Governor Nikki Haley in January of 2011. 'Kevin Shwedo knows the importance of customer service at the Department of Motor Vehicles and has a passion for making sure each and every South Carolinian who walks in the door has a productive and efficient experience,’ said Gov. Henry McMaster. Read the article at abcnews4.com.
Viral Video Sparks Conversation on Child Seat Safety: 'It's a Parent's Worse Nightmare' (Virginia)
A scary moment on a Minnesota street was caught on camera on Monday and has sparked a conversation about child seat safety. A Dashcam video, viewed more than a million times since being posted, shows a toddler strapped into a car seat in the middle of the road after falling out of a car. Police who dealt with the situation in Minnesota note the girl was properly fastened in her seat, the issue was the seat was improperly attached to the car. Read the article at wric.com.

REGION 3 NEWS

Indiana Could Soon Let You Use Digital Driver's Licenses
Indiana could soon enter the era of digital driver's licenses. One state lawmaker wants to make it a possibility. Here's how it would work: You get pulled over by a police officer but you forgot your wallet. If state Sen. Eddie Melton's bill passes, you'd could have a digital copy of your driver's license on your phone. The bill would allow the Bureau of Motor Vehicles to put your state Identification, learner's permit or driver's license onto an app on your phone if you ask them. Melton said a mobile driver's license would be a convenience for Hoosiers. 'This is not to replace our existing driver's license,' the Democrat from Gary said. 'This is a supplement to allow that information to be on an application.' Read the article at wishtv.com.

Waymo to Retrofit 200,000-Square-Foot Autonomous Vehicle Factory in Michigan
Waymo will soon ramp up its assembly of self-driving cars in Detroit, Michigan, the company announced. The Alphabet subsidiary said that it'll invest $13.6 million to expand its operations in the Great Lakes state, following a vote by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) to approve the plans. Read the article at venturebeat.com.

Texting While Driving Citations in Minnesota Jump 30 Percent
Bills banning the use of hand-held phones passed committees this week in both the House and Senate. A second bill that would raise fines for violators also passed a Senate committee this week. Minnesota law prohibits texting while driving, but it continues to happen. And violators are getting caught. Law enforcement cited 9,545 motorists for texting while driving in 2018, a 30 percent jump from 2017, according to a Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS) analysis of court records released Wednesday. Citations have increased for six straight years, rising 459 percent since 2012 when texting while driving was outlawed. That year, police handed out 1,707 tickets. Read the article at startribune.com.

A State Senate Bill Could Remove Missouri from the List of Three States That Allow Texting and Driving
Missouri is one of three states in the U.S. that doesn't fully ban texting and driving, but a bill heard by the Senate Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee on Thursday morning would change that. 'This bill (will) make Missouri one of the safe states to drive in along with 47 other states,' the bill's sponsor, state Sen. Wayne Wallingford, R-Cape Girardeau, said, calling it 'a common-sense piece of legislation.' Read the article at columbiamissourian.com.

Here is What Cincinnati is Doing to Boost Pedestrian Safety (Ohio)
Standing in front of Western Hills High School, the site of one of Cincinnati's latest pedestrian hit-and-run accidents, Mayor John Cranley Jan. 18 announced steps the
city will take to fight for pedestrian safety. Among his proposals, Cranley voiced support for changing the city’s way of looking at traffic safety through an approach called Vision Zero, which creates specific benchmarks toward a goal of zero traffic fatalities. Transit activists and some Cincinnati City Council members have also voiced support for the approach, which cities like New York and Austin, Texas have adopted. Read the article at citybeat.com.

Patrol Participating in Multi-State Human Trafficking Initiative (Ohio)
The Ohio State Highway Patrol is collaborating with the Illinois State Police, Indiana State Police, Michigan State Police and Truckers Against Trafficking to raise awareness about human trafficking. The initiative began today and will continue through January 18. The goal is to train and educate those who are in a position to see human trafficking taking place, such as commercial motor vehicle drivers, public transportation companies, rest area attendants and truck stop employees. The detail also explains who to contact when trafficking is suspected. By teaching these individuals the signs of human trafficking, and how to report it, they can provide an additional layer of security on Ohio's roads. Read the article at content.govdelivery.com.

Task Force to Eliminate Traffic Deaths on Big Island Roads (Hawaii)
Hawai'i County Mayor Harry Kim will issue a proclamation to announce the formation of a Vision Zero Task Force aimed at eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries on Hawai'i Island roads. The task force, which will develop a Vision Zero Action Plan, will be comprised of agencies and organizations with expertise in transportation, enforcement, education, public health, emergency response, equity, transit, biking, walking and vehicles. Read the article at bigislandnow.com.

ITD Takes the Public on Patrol with Its First Tweet-Along (Idaho)
ITD led its first Tweet-along on the department's social media Twitter account. Tweet-alongs typically involve publicizing a special event by sending out multiple updates in a short timeframe with common hashtags. It's a tool often used by law enforcement agencies during emphasis patrols to offer their followers a virtual ride along, and the hashtags allow viewers to see related posts from several agencies in one feed. In this case, #US12casino #live #partnerpatrol were used to raise drivers' awareness in the area and spread a message of a coordinated undertaking by Nez Perce County Sheriff's Office, Nez Perce Tribal Police, Idaho State Police, and ITD. Read the article at apps.itd.idaho.gov.

Washington Among Top Ten States with Highest Car Theft Rate, Study Says
Washington is among the top ten states with the highest car theft rate, according to a new study. The study from Your Mechanic ranks the states by rate of vehicle thefts per 100,000 residents. Washington came in at No. 7 with nearly 390 thefts per 100,000 residents. Alaska was No. 1 with nearly 576 thefts, followed by New Mexico and Nevada. Washington fared well in other areas of the study. It did not make the list for least skilled or most aggressive drivers. The state ranked No. 40 on the study's master list of the most dangerous states to drive in. Read the article at krem.com.
Safety Advocates Urge U.S. to Clear the Way for Smarter Headlights
Many U.S. motorists are driving blind, and they probably don’t even realize it. Their headlights rely on antiquated technology that fails to properly illuminate the roadway but manages to blind oncoming drivers. That could change, however, if the federal government allows a new generation of headlights on the road. Read the article at latimes.com.

Civil Rights Group Marks MLK Day with Call for 'Trump Card' National ID
A prominent civil rights group is marking Martin Luther King Jr. Day by pressing President Trump to honor his promise to create a national photo ID card for citizens. Martin Luther King III, the oldest son of the iconic civil rights leader and a co-chairmen of the Drum Major Institute, met with Trump two years ago on MLK Day. During that meeting, the then-president-elect endorsed the idea of a national photo ID. This year, the group is calling on Trump to follow through...The group is asking Trump to issue an executive order instructing the Social Security Administration to create a Social Security card with a photo, a so-called Trump card. Supporters say such an ID would increase civic participation, prevent fraud and help the disadvantaged find resources. Read the article at thehill.com.

Drones Can Speed Up Traffic Accident Analysis To Make Driving Safer
NHTSA says that in 2016, 7 million traffic accidents were reported to the police in America. 37,461 people died as a result of those accidents and another 3,144,000 were injured, according to official estimates. Many of those collisions are what experts call 'secondary accidents' that result when motorists encounter slowed or stopped traffic ahead and fail to slow down in time. Often, those secondary accidents are worse than the initial accidents that caused the slowdown or stoppage in the first place...The Purdue researchers have begun using drones to document and assess crash sites. Read the article at cleantechnica.com.

Older Drivers: Is Age a Factor Behind the Wheel?
After the Duke of Edinburgh was involved in a road crash where he was at the wheel, there was surprise in some quarters that he was still driving at the age of 97. But he's not alone. The number of people over 90 holding a driving licence in Britain has been on the rise - it recently topped 100,000. So should you still be driving in your 90s? Read the article at bbc.com.

Canadian Bankers Association Interested in Blockchain-Powered Digital ID Systems
One benefit is that it will allow consumers and businesses to permit third-party fintech companies to access financial records and provide innovative services. Other possible avenues include biometrics, document review over live video, and artificial intelligence. Neil Parmenter, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Canadian Bankers Association, spoke on behalf of the CBA on a video posted to YouTube. During the video, the CEO notes: 'As daily interactions become increasingly digital and we explore the possibilities of open banking, online ID verification will only grow more urgent.' Read the article at coinrivet.com.

Global Status Report on Road Safety 2018
The Global status report on road safety 2018, launched by [the World Health Organization] in December 2018, highlights that the number of annual road traffic deaths has reached 1.35 million. Road traffic injuries are now the leading killer of people aged 5-29 years. The burden is disproportionately borne by pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists, in particular those living in developing countries. The report suggests that the price paid for mobility is too high, especially because proven
measures exist. Drastic action is needed to put these measures in place to meet any future global target that might be set and save lives. Read the article at apps.who.int.

**Uber is Working on Autonomous Electric Bicycles and Scooters, Opens Robotics Division**

Uber has been working on autonomous vehicles for years. However, they've always been of the four-wheeled variety. Now it appears that the ridesharing giant is focusing on autonomous electric bicycles and scooters as well. Uber is apparently working to integrate autonomous driving and sensing technology into their electric bicycles and scooters, according to 3D Robotics CEO Chris Anderson. Uber’s Advanced Technologies Group (ATG) made the announcement this weekend at a DIYRobocars event. Autonomous electric bicycles and scooters may be able to drive themselves to charging locations or reposition themselves to locations with higher demand. Read the article at electrek.co.

**TWITTER NEWS**

@AAMVACollection has been watching the twitter feed and decided to highlight some of the tweets here. Links are provided within most of the tweets, and we have also provided a link to each tweet as well. Note that you do not have to have an account or sign in to Twitter to view the message posts, images associated with the post, and the reach of the message (retweets, favorited, etc.).

Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community. You may be surprised at what you’re missing! Follow @AAMVACollection.

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***Thank you for the @AAMVACollection mentions!***

**Trooper Sonny SCHP @SCHP_Troop5 | View the Tweet**

1 out of every 5 fatalities so far this year has been a pedestrian.

1. Walk on the shoulder or sidewalk.
2. Wear something reflective.

Be Safe, Be Seen!

SCDMV @SC_DMV | View the Tweet

We’re glad to hear you had an efficient visit! This is what we strive for daily. #SCDMV
**Beth Walters** @ChickenChick425
Thank you, @SC_DMV on Shop Rd Columbia, for such great customer service. In and out in 20 minutes this morning. Staff was efficient and pleasant...and my DL picture even turned out decent! 😊

**IIHS** @IIHS_autosafety | [View the Tweet](https://twitter.com/IIHS_autosafety/status/11546883120)
Read the new report on distracted driving: [http://go.iihs.org/news-DistractedDriving](http://go.iihs.org/news-DistractedDriving)

**VirginiaDMV** @VirginiaDMV | [View the Tweet](https://twitter.com/VirginiaDMV/status/11546883120)
Now, that's a way to kick off the weekend! We're so glad you had a great experience with us today & appreciate you taking the time to give us such a nice shout out. Have a wonderful rest of the day. #VADMVcustomerservice

**Sarah Vernon** 🍀🍀🍀 @sarahkarlene
shout out to the @VirginiaDMV!
I stupidly lost my registration stickers (over a year ago 😒)...finally forced myself to our local office to resolve the problem...brought a book expecting the worse...was in and out in 15 minutes plus the staff was lovely! 🍀🍀🍀

**Dr. Connor W Norwood** @NorwoodPhD | [View the Tweet](https://twitter.com/NorwoodPhD/status/11546883120)
“great government service” is an important value for @GovHolcomb and @StateOfIndiana_, I have to say @INBMV and commissioner @LacyPL do it right. I just renewed my car registration in less then 1 minute at the BMV self service kiosk! If you haven’t tried one you’re missing out.
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AAA Utah @AAA_Utah | View the Tweet
If you're concerned about the safety of a senior driver in your life, here are some tips to start the discussion. Learn more: http://bit.ly/2S5p4sk #seniordriving

Tips for Talking with a Senior Driver

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